

Summer Reading 2013 Young Adult Recommended Readings

The Lost Island of Tamarind by Nadia Aguiar

After their parents are swept off their sailboat, thirteen-year-old Maya, nine-year-old Simon, and their baby sister Penny are marooned on a mysterious island. Mermaids, giants, orchid farmers, and a boy named Helix help the siblings contend with pirates, jungle beasts, and a monstrous lady. For grades 5-8. 2008.

DB65872

Download The Lost Island of Tamarind:

<http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.nls/db.68572>

Enclave by Ann Aquirre

In a post-apocalyptic future, Deuce, a loyal huntress, brings back meat while avoiding the deadly Freaks outside her underground enclave. But when she is partnered with outsider Fade, she begins to see that the ways of the elders may be horrifically wrong. Violence. For senior high and older readers. 2011.

DB74167, BR19589

Download Enclave: <http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.nls/db.74167>

Hard Gold: The Colorado Gold Rush of 1859, a Tale of the Old West by Avi

Iowa, 1850s. When fourteen-year-old Early Wittcomb's family has trouble paying the mortgage on their family farm, his Uncle Jesse takes the desperate course of heading to Kansas Territory to search for gold. Early, intent on catching up with Jesse, finds work on a westward-bound wagon train. For grades 4-7. 2008.

DB/RC68136

Download Hard Gold: <http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.nls/db.68136>

Ship Breaker by Paolo Bacigalupi

Teenaged Nailer scavenges precious copper wiring from grounded oil tankers with his crewmates, but when he finds a beached clipper ship and a beautiful girl trapped inside, he must decide whether to strip the materials or rescue the girl. Some strong language. For senior high readers. 2010.

DB71441

Download Ship Breaker: <http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.nls/db.71441>

Little Blog on the Prairie by Cathleen Bell

Eighth grader Genevieve reluctantly accompanies her family to an 1890 frontier-history camp, sneaking in a forbidden cell phone. When Gen's text messages to a friend wind up on a blog, she finds that her private complaints and judgments read differently in public. For grades 5-8. 2010.

DB71331

Download Little Blog on the Prairie: <http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.nls/db.71331>

Shark Girl by Kelly Bingham

After a shark attack causes the amputation of her right arm, fifteen-year-old Jane, a talented artist, struggles to come to terms with her loss and the changes in her plans for the future. Told in conversations, letters, and prose poems. For junior and senior high readers. 2007.

BR17429

Pecked to Death by Ducks by Tim Cahill

Cahill states that for fifteen years his adventures have given readers a chance to realize their dreams about visiting exotic locales. He divides this book into large categories covering animals, nature's grandeur, and risky ventures, and relates experiences such as traveling through the

burning oil fields of Kuwait, kayaking in Baja, drinking with Australians, and crawling through caves. Some violence.

DB/RC39510

Download Pecked to Death by Ducks:

<http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.nls/db.39510>

Stealing Freedom by Elisa Carbone

Maryland, 1850s. Young slave girl Ann Maria suffers many hardships, including separation from her family. An abolitionist helps her escape to Canada on the Underground Railroad. Based on a true case. For grades 6-9.

DB/RC49079

Download Stealing Freedom: <http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.nls/db.49079>

Clockwork Angel by Cassandra Clare

When Tessa Gray's older brother suddenly vanishes, her search for him leads her into Victorian-era London's dangerous supernatural underworld. Tessa discovers she is a powerful Downworlder and must learn to trust demon-killing Shadowhunters if she wants to find her brother. Some violence. For senior high and older readers. 2010.

DB72530

Download Clockwork Angel: <http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.nls/db.72530>

Danger in the Desert: The Adventures of a Dinosaur Hunter by Roger Cohen

Traces the life and career of American paleontologist Roy Chapman Andrews (1884-1960), whose 1922 expedition discovered an enormous dinosaur fossil trove in the Flaming Cliffs of Mongolia's Gobi Desert. Recounts Andrews's death-defying escapes from dangerous animals, terrain, and people while on the pursuit of scientific artifacts. For grades 6-9. 2008.

BR18321

Nick and Norah's Infinite Playlist by Rachel Cohn and David Levithan
Strangers Nick and Norah meet at a punk-rock club and experience a night of adventure. Nick, a musician, has just had a painful breakup with his girlfriend, and brokenhearted Norah also needs reassurance. The two romp through Manhattan and fall in love. Strong language. For senior high readers. 2006.
BR16896

Maze Runner by James Dashner
A teenage boy wakes up in an elevator remembering nothing but his name, Thomas. He soon meets a group of boys who welcome him to the Glade--and the unsolved puzzle of the Maze. The next day a girl arrives with an unexpected message. Some violence. For grades 6-9. 2009.
DB72392, JW628
Download Maze Runner: <http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.nls/db.72392>

The City of Ember by Jeanne DuPrau
A city planned to survive for two hundred years, now in year 241, suffers shortages--and a secret message-bearing box is missing. Independent-thinking twelve-year-olds Doon and Lina exchange obligatory jobs and make a discovery that could change their known world. For grades 5-8. 2003
DB/RC59907, BR15120
Download The City of Ember: <http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.nls/db.59907>

Incident at Hawk's Hill by Allan W. Eckert
After a small boy wanders off one summer and loses himself on the vast prairie near his home, he is adopted by a female badger who takes

care of him for two months. Based on an incident reported in Saskatchewan, Canada, in 1870. For grades 5-8.
RC38913, BR1771

Return to Hawk's Hill by Allan W. Eckert

Adrift in a rowboat on Lake Winnipeg, seven-year-old Ben MacDonald is rescued by Little Buffalo, a Metis Indian. Ben's ability to befriend animals impresses the Metis during his stay with them and leads to friendship between Ben's family and the Metis. Sequel to Incident at Hawk's Hill (RC 38913, BR 01771). For grades 5-8.
RC46914, BR11854

Underground by Jean Ferris

1839. Sixteen-year-old Charlotte Brown is sold as a maid to the owner of Mammoth Cave Hotel in Kentucky. She is attracted to another slave, eighteen-year-old Stephen, who is head tour guide, but can she trust him to help with the Underground Railroad? For junior and senior high readers. 2007.
BR17854

Incarceron by Catherine Fisher

To free herself from an upcoming arranged marriage, Claudia, pampered daughter of the warden of Incarceron, plots to help inmate Finn escape the vast, futuristic prison that has a mind of its own. Some violence and some strong language. For senior high readers. 2007.
DB71230

Download Incarceron: <http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.nls/db.71260>

By the Great Horn Spoon by Sid Fleischman

A determined orphan and his aunt's fearless butler, Praiseworthy, stow away on a ship bound for the California gold fields in 1849. An amusing tall tale. For grades 4-7.
RC23517

Eating Animals by Jonathan Safran Foer

Author of the novel Everything Is Illuminated (RC 54448) investigates the meat production industry and his own family's food choices. Examines factory farming and aquaculture and exposes their connections to global warming and environmental degradation. Explores the philosophical and ethical issues of carnivorism while advocating a vegetarian diet. Bestseller. 2009.

DB70373

Download Eating Animals: <http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.nls/db.70373>

Neverwhere by Neil Gaiman

London businessman Richard Mayhew spots a young woman lying wounded in the street. He takes her to his home--and awakens the next day to find that he has lost his identity in the real world. Mayhew joins the now-healed woman in a perilous quest through an eerie subterranean realm. 1996.

DB72813, BR11353

Download Neverwhere: <http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.nls/db.72813>

Tunnels by Roderick Gordon and Brian Williams

Shortly after Will Burrows and his archaeologist father discover a long-abandoned train station, Will's father disappears. Will and his best friend Chester investigate, and soon they are lost underneath London in a labyrinth of colonies full of sinister inhabitants with evil intentions. For grades 6-9. 2008.

DB/RC66717

Download Tunnels: <http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.nls/db.66717>

An Inconvenient Truth: The Planetary Emergency of Global Warming and What We Can Do About It by Al Gore

Companion volume to the Academy Award-winning best documentary feature film presents the former U.S. vice president's personal assessment of the dangers facing our physical world due to the climate crisis. Gore discusses symptoms of change--greenhouse gases, glacier and polar melt, bleaching of coral--and profiles scientists investigating these issues. 2006.

DB/RC67444, BR17455

Download An Inconvenient Truth: <http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.nls/db.67444>

The Wind in the Willows by Kenneth Grahame

The adventures of Mole, Water Rat, Badger, bumptious Mr. Toad, and other animals who live along the river and in the woods. For grades 4-7.

DB/RC24592, BR02183, BR12977

Download The Wind in the Willows: <http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.nls/db.24592>

Soul Surfer: A True Story of Faith, Family, and Fighting to Get Back on the Board by Bethany Hamilton

Autobiography of a Hawaiian junior-champion surfer who lost an arm in a shark attack when she was thirteen. Describes her home life and Christian upbringing. Relates the experiences of consulting a blind psychologist about her disability, and relearning the sport. For senior high and older readers. 2004.

DB/RC59485

Download Soul Surfer: <http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.nls/db.59485>

Many Thousand Gone: African Americans from Slavery to Freedom by Virginia Hamilton

Collection of sketches tracing the history of African Americans from the earliest days of slavery to the Emancipation Proclamation. Relates the lives of Ukawsaw Gronniosaw, a prince born in Africa, and other African Americans who struggled for freedom, including Elizabeth Freeman, Nat Turner, Sojourner Truth, Dred Scott, Harriet Tubman, and Frederick Douglass. For grades 4-7 and older readers.

BR10492

Seize the Story: A Handbook for Teens Who Like to Write by Victoria Hanley

Presents creative-writing tips and exercises, from freewriting to understanding the elements of fiction. Provides examples for character development, motivation, and perspective. Assesses difficult aspects of writing fiction, such as creating the setting and mood, and infusing your style and voice into the story. For junior and senior high readers. 2008. DB71098, BR18564

Download Seize the Story: <http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.nls/db.71098>

Lives of Extraordinary Women: Rulers, Rebels (and What the Neighbors Thought) by Kathleen Krull

Biographical sketches of twenty powerful women--queens, warriors, prime ministers, revolutionary leaders, Indian chiefs, and first ladies--and how they triumphed. While focusing on daring deeds, Krull also includes events of human interest, such as Cleopatra looting foreign libraries to add to her world-famous collection in Alexandria. For grades 3-6. 2000.

DB/RC52047

Download Lives of Extraordinary Women:

<http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.nls/db.52047>

True North: A Novel of the Underground Railroad by Kathryn Lasky

Narrative alternating between Bostonian Lucy Bradford and Afrika, a Virginia slave, tells how the lives of the two fourteen-year-olds were affected by the Underground Railroad. Lucy recounts her family's preparation for a wedding and her special relationship with her grandfather, while Afrika describes her difficult journey north. For junior and senior high readers.

RC47692, BR11892

Outrageous Women of Ancient Times by Vicki Leon

Introduces twenty extraordinary women from various cultures spanning four thousand years. Selected for thinking and acting independently in societies that did not encourage liberated females, these subjects represent the Roman Empire, Greece, Egypt, the Middle East, China, and Vietnam. For grades 5-8.

RC48496

The Arm of the Starfish by Madeline L'Engle

Sixteen-year-old Adam Eddington, a marine biology student, accepts an exciting offer to do summer research off the coast of Portugal with a brilliant but mysterious scientist. While awaiting his transatlantic flight, Adam receives a warning, and when the jet lands unexpectedly in Madrid, he becomes aware of a dangerous international conspiracy. For junior and senior high readers.

RC26400, BR392

Letters from a Slave Boy: The Story of Joseph Jacobs by Mary E. Lyons

Joseph, son of Harriet Jacobs from *Letters from a Slave Girl* (RC 38689), writes about his experiences as a slave in pre-Civil War North Carolina, a sailor on a New England whaling expedition, and a gold miner in California. Some strong language. For junior and senior high readers. 2007.

DB/RC64966

Download *Letters from a Slave Boy*: <http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.nls/db.64966>

Letters from a Slave Girl: The Story of Harriet Jacobs by Mary E. Lyons

An epistolary novel based on Jacobs's autobiography (*Incidents in the Life of a Slave Girl*--RC 31142). Beginning when she is eleven, Jacobs writes letters to both living and dead family members. The letters form a journal of her life--in which she bears children by one white man to escape the sexual harassment of another and spends years hiding out in a tiny attic. For junior and senior high readers.

RC38689

Vegan Virgin Valentine by Carolyn Mackler

High-school senior Mara's life goes topsy-turvy when her delinquent sixteen-year-old niece "V" arrives to live with the family. Mara loosens up when she falls for her boss at the coffeehouse and when V enjoys her new, stable home. Strong language and some descriptions of sex. For senior high readers. 2004.

BR15649

Spilling Ink: A Young Writer's Handbook by Anne Mazer and Ellen Potter

Two authors playfully mix practical advice and personal anecdotes to demystify the craft of writing a story or novel. Topics covered include finding inspiration, naming characters, developing a narrative voice, crafting dialogue, dealing with writer's block, and establishing good work habits. For grades 5-8. 2010.

DB7166

Download Spilling Ink: <http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.nls/db.71666>

A Picture of Freedom: The Diary of Clotee, a Slave Girl, Belmont Plantation, Virginia 1859 by Pat McKissack

Belmont Plantation, Virginia. In March 1859, twelve-year-old Clotee begins her "third learnin' season." As a slave, Clotee is not allowed to learn to read and write, but she picks up knowledge while fanning Master William and his mother during his lessons. Over the year, Clotee learns many things, including the meaning of freedom. An epilogue covers the rest of Clotee's life until her death in 1941. For grades 4-7.

RC45648

Mister Monday by Garth Nix

While Arthur Penhaligon lies dying from an asthma attack on his first day in a new school, evil Mister Monday gives him a special key that not only helps Arthur recover but also unleashes many strange happenings. Followed by Grim Tuesday (DB 58042). For grades 5-8 and older readers. 2003.

DB/RC57998

Download Mister Monday: <http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.nls/db.57998>

Airborn by Kenneth Oppel

Teenaged Kate is a first-class passenger on the same airship where Matt is cabin boy. When the airship is captured by pirates then crashes on a remote island, Matt puts aside helping Kate search for legendary flying creatures to focus on survival. For grades 6-9. Printz Honor Book. 2004.

DB/RC59792

Download Airborn: <http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.nls/db.59792>

Nightjohn by Gary Paulsen

Sarny is a slave girl, twelve years old according to Mammy's notched stick. A new field hand, Nightjohn, is bought by the cruel plantation owner. Secretly, Nightjohn teaches Sarny to read, a gift she carries like a rare jewel until the master catches her writing in the dirt. As punishment she and Mammy are brutally beaten and Nightjohn is maimed. More determined than ever, they continue their lessons. For grades 6-9 and older readers. Violence.

RC38431

Sarny: A Life Remembered by Gary Paulsen

In this sequel to Nightjohn (RC 38431), Sarny is freed by Union soldiers and leaves the plantation to find her children. Discovering that they were sent to New Orleans to be sold, Sarny journeys there. Finding

employment, she reclaims her children and continues to teach people how to read. For grades 6-9.

RC45906

Trouble Don't Last by Shelley Pearsall

In 1859, an aging slave forces eleven-year-old Samuel to run away at night from their harsh Kentucky master. They are hungry and frightened of being captured as they journey on the Underground Railroad towards the hope of freedom in Canada. For grades 5-8. 2002.

DB/RC55900

Download Trouble Don't Last: <http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.nls/db.55900>

Life As We Knew It by Susan Beth Pfeffer

Book 1 of the Last Survivor series

Sixteen-year-old Miranda keeps a journal describing her family's struggle to survive after an asteroid hits the Moon and causes disastrous climate change on Earth. She records her feelings about losing contact with friends and the outside world, locating food, and keeping hope alive. For junior and senior high readers. 2006.

DB/RC65047, BR18228

Download Life As We Knew It: <http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.nls/db.65047>

The Dead and the Gone by Susan Beth Pfeffer

Book 2 of the Last Survivor series

After a meteor hits the moon causing a series of horrific climate changes, seventeen-year-old Alex Morales must take care of his younger sisters alone in the chaos of New York City. Companion to Life as We Knew It (RC 65047, BR 18228). For junior and senior high readers. 2008.

DB/RC68838, BR18229

Download The Dead and the Gone: <http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.nls/db.68838>

This World We Live In by Susan Beth Pfeffer

Book 3 of the Last Survivor series

In the shadow of the asteroid's aftermath, teenager Miranda and her family struggle to survive. When Alex Morales--from The Dead and the Gone (DB 68838, BR 18229)--arrives at her house, Miranda harbors romantic feelings for him. But continuing disasters disrupt their relationship. For junior and senior high readers. 2010.

DB71462, BR19054

Download This World We Live In: <http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.nls/db.71462>

The Amazing Maurice and His Educated Rodents by Terry Pratchett
Maurice, a talking cat; a group of intelligent rats with a dream; and Keith, a boy with a pennywhistle, run a great Pied Piper scam--until they reach Bad Blintz. Finding that town already being conned puts Maurice's gang in a quandary. For grades 6-9. 2001.

RC55211

Larklight by Philip Reeve

In an alternate Victorian England, young Arthur Mumby and his sister Myrtle, residents of Larklight, a floating house in one of Her Majesty's outer space territories, uncover a spidery plot to destroy the solar system. For grades 6-9. 2006.

BR17285

The Battle of the Labyrinth by Rick Riordan

When demonic cheerleaders invade his high school and the war between the Olympians and the evil Titan lord Kronos draws near, Percy Jackson hurries to Camp Half Blood to initiate a quest through the Labyrinth with his demigod friends. Sequel to The Titan's Curse (DB 65245). For grades 5-8. 2008.

DB/RC67158

Download The Battle of the Labyrinth:

<http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.nls/db.67158>

The Last Olympian by Rick Riordan

The long-awaited prophecy surrounding Percy Jackson's sixteenth birthday unfolds as he leads an army of young demigods to stop Kronos's advance on New York City. Sequel to The Battle of the Labyrinth (DB 67158). For grades 5-8. 2009.

DB/RC69015

Download The Last Olympian: <http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.nls/db.69015>

The Lightning Thief by Rick Riordan

Upstate New York, 2005. Sixth-grader Percy Jackson, the son of Poseidon and a mortal mother, attends a summer camp for demigods. After Percy angers Zeus, his friends Grover, a satyr, and Annabeth, daughter of Athena, join him to resolve the problem. For grades 5-8. 2005.

DB/RC63443

Download The Lightning Thief: <http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.nls/db.63443>

The Lost Hero by Rick Riordan

Jason, Piper, and Leo, three friends from a school for juvenile delinquents, find themselves at Camp Half-Blood, where they learn that they are demigods. The trio begins a quest to free Hera, who has been imprisoned by Mother Earth. For grades 4-7. 2010.

DB72412

Download The Lost Hero: <http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.nls/db.72412>

The Red Pyramid by Rick Riordan

After his mother's death, Carter Kane follows his Egyptologist father, Julius, across the globe. When they visit the British Museum to reunite with Carter's sister, a mysterious figure banishes Julius, sending the siblings on a dangerous adventure to save their dad. Some violence. For grades 5-8 and older readers. Commercial audiobook. 2010.

DB71322

Download The Red Pyramid: <http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.nls/db.71322>

The Sea of Monsters by Rick Riordan

Upstate New York, 2006. Seventh-grader Percy, son of Poseidon and a mortal, learns that Camp Half-Blood is in danger. He and his friends undertake a perilous journey into the Sea of Monsters to save their beloved camp. Sequel to The Lightning Thief (RC 63443). For grades 5-8. 2006.

DB/RC64659

Download The Sea of Monsters: <http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.nls/db.64659>

The Son of Neptune by Rick Riordan

Demigod Percy Jackson, still suffering from amnesia, and his new friends from Camp Jupiter, Hazel and Frank, go on a quest to free Thanatos. But their bigger task is to unite the Greek and Roman camps to fulfill the Prophecy of Seven. For grades 4-7. 2011.

DB74000

Download The Son of Neptune: <http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.nls/db.74000>

The Throne of Fire by Rick Riordan

Carter and Sadie, offspring of the brilliant Egyptologist Dr. Julius Kane, embark on a worldwide search for the Book of Ra. But the House of Life and the gods of chaos are determined to stop them. For grades 5-8 and older readers. Commercial audiobook. 2011.

DB43386

Download The Throne of Fire: <http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.nls/db.73386>

The Titan's Curse by Rick Riordan

When the youthful goddess Artemis disappears while hunting a rare, ancient monster, modern-day demigod Percy and his friends attempt to rescue her before she is needed at the Olympian Council meeting on the war with the Titans. Sequel to The Sea of Monsters (RC 64659). For grades 5-8. 2007.

DB/RC65245

Download The Titan's Curse: <http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.nls/db.65245>

How to Eat Fried Worms by Thomas Rockwell

Alan bets fifty dollars that Billy can't eat a worm a day for fifteen days. Both boys work hard to win the bet using psychological warfare, bizarre pranks, and plain cheating. For grades 3-6.

DB/RC33534, BR8593

Download How to Eat Fried Worms: <http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.nls/db.33534>

How I Live Now by Meg Rosoff

In the near future fifteen-year-old Daisy, an American, travels to England to visit relatives and falls in love with her cousin Edmond. After a world war breaks out, the family becomes separated. The two lovers are reunited years after. For senior high readers. Printz Award. 2004.

DB/RC59908

Download How I Live Now: <http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.nls/db.59908>

Revolver by Marcus Sedgwick

Scandinavian Arctic, 1910. After fourteen-year-old Sig Andersson's father Einar dies, a stranger arrives demanding that Sig and his sister return gold Einar allegedly stole during the Alaska Gold Rush a decade ago. Sig struggles with the dilemma of using Einar's hidden revolver. Violence. For senior high and older readers. 2009.

BR19076

Lockdown: Escape from Furnace 1 by Alexander Gordon Smith

Book 1 of the Escape from Furnace series

Thief Alex is framed for murder and sent deep underground to Furnace Penitentiary, where inmates are turned into vicious, unrecognizable creatures. Though no one has ever escaped, Alex and his friends

tirelessly search for a way out. Some violence. For junior and senior high readers. 2009.

DB72183

Download Lockdown: Escape from Furnace 1:

<http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.nls/db.72183>

Solitary: Escape from Furnace 2 by Alexander Gordon Smith

Book 2 of the Escape from Furnace series

Imprisoned for the murder of his friend Toby, Alex Sawyer tries to escape the hellish Furnace Penitentiary. Instead he winds up in solitary confinement, where new horrors await him. Sequel to Lockdown (DB 72183). Some violence. For junior and senior high readers. 2009.

DB72529

Download Solitary: <http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.nls/db.72529>

Death Sentence by Alexander Gordon Smith

Book 3 of the Escape from Furnace series

After his failed attempt to escape the Furnace Penitentiary in Solitary (DB 72529), Alex is sentenced to its bloodstained laboratories. He struggles to remain human despite the warden's attempts to remake him into a monster. Some violence. For junior and senior high readers. Commercial audiobook. 2009.

DB73653

Download Death Sentence: <http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.nls/db.73653>

Girls Think of Everything: Stories of Ingenious Inventions by Women
by Catherine Thimmesh

Profiles ten women and two girls who--through necessity, ingenuity, and hard work--responded successfully to challenges by inventing such items as Toll House cookies, glow-in-the-dark paper, the Snuggly baby carrier, and windshield wipers. Includes instructions on how to apply for a patent. For grades 4-7. 2000.

DB (In Process)/RC52628

The Children of Hurin by J.R.R. Tolkien

A tale of the Elder Days of Middle-earth, variations of which appeared in Unfinished Tales... (RC 17615) and The Silmarillion (DB 60367).

Describes the fates of Húrin--cursed lord of Dor-lómin--and his children Túrin and Niënor. Restored, edited, and introduced by the author's son, Christopher Tolkien. Bestseller. 2007.

DB/RC64650, BR17216

Download The Children of Hurin: <http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.nls/db.64650>

The Hobbit by J.R.R. Tolkien

Prequel to the Lord of the Rings series

The wandering wizard Gandalf recruits Bilbo Baggins, a Hobbit, to be the fourteenth member of an expedition. Hobbits prefer comfort to adventures, but Bilbo joins the quest and encounters many perils, including a dragon. For junior and senior high readers.

DB/RC48978, BR11595, BR07827

Download The Hobbit: <http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.nls/db.48978>

Fellowship of the Ring by J.R.R. Tolkien

Book 1 of the Lord of the Rings series

As the Ring cycle begins, Frodo, a home-loving hobbit, inherits the magic ring that his Uncle Bilbo brought back from his adventures in The Hobbit (DB 48978). To protect the ring from the powers of darkness, Frodo must make a long, dangerous journey. Prequel to The Two Towers (DB 47487).

DB/RC47486, BR9745

Download Fellowship of the Ring: <http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.nls/db.47486>

Two Towers by J.R.R. Tolkien

Book 2 of the Lord of the Rings series

In this sequel to The Fellowship of the Ring (RC 47486), the now-separated companions of the Ring meet Saruman the wizard, cross the

Dead Marshes, and prepare for the Great War in which the power of the Ring will be undone.

DB/RC47487, BR9747

Download Two Towers: <http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.nls/db.47487>

Return of the King by J.R.R. Tolkien

Book 3 of the Lord of the Rings series

In this sequel to The Two Towers (DB 47487), Frodo and Sam bear the Ring to Mount Doom. The War of the Rings, fought between the forces for good and the Dark Lord of evil, is ended.

DB/RC47488, BR9749

Download Return of the King: <http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.nls/db.47488>

The Silmarillion by J.R.R. Tolkien

Posthumous collection of imaginative tales by the author of The Hobbit (DB 48978) and the Lord of the Rings trilogy. Stories depict the First Age of the World when Dark Lord Morgoth dwelled in Middle Earth and the High Elves made war upon him to recover the Silmarils. 1977.

DB/RC60367, BR11510

Download The Silmarillion: <http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.nls/db.60367>

20,000 Leagues Under the Sea by Jules Verne

Classic of nineteenth-century speculative fiction relates the adventures of a French professor and his two companions as they sail beneath the world's oceans as prisoners of the fabulous electric submarine Nautilus under the command of the deranged Captain Nemo. 1869.

DB/RC57020, BR09469

Download 20,000 Leagues Under the Sea:

<http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.nls/db.57020>

The Time Machine by H.G. Wells

In this short novel, the first of Wells's works in science fiction, the Time Traveller constructs a machine that will enable him to travel backward

or forward in time. He travels far into the future and reappears dishevelled, pale, and haggard. 1895.

DB/RC33367, BR8652

Download The Time Machine: <http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.nls/db.33367>

Leviathan by Scott Westerfeld

Book 1 of the Leviathan series

Alek Ferdinand, prince of the Austro-Hungarian Empire, escapes in a Cyklop Stormwalker from the clutches of the Clanker powers who are plotting global domination. He forms an uneasy alliance with Deryn, a girl disguised as a boy fighting genetically engineered beasts like the airship Leviathan. For senior high readers. 2009.

DB70906

Download Leviathan: <http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.nls/db.70906>

Behemoth by Scott Westerfeld

Book 2 of the Leviathan series

After Austrian prince Alek saves the great airship Leviathan twice, he and Deryn evade the Germans by taking the vessel to Constantinople. On their mission they face a new kind of genetically engineered warship. Sequel to Leviathan (DB 70906). For senior high readers. 2010.

DB71981

Download Behemoth: <http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.nls/db.71981>

Goliath by Scott Westerfeld

Book 3 of the Leviathan series

Alek and Deryn's feelings for each other grow as they reach the final leg of their round-the-world journey. But they face new obstacles in their quest to end World War I and reclaim Alek's throne as prince of Austria. Sequel to Behemoth (DB 71981). For senior high readers. 2011.

DB74319

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Ar'n't I a Woman? Female Slaves in the Plantation South by Deborah Gray White

A professor of history at Rutgers University draws primarily on memoirs of former slaves to evaluate the unique position of women in the slave culture. The degrading Mammy and Jezebel myths are thoroughly debunked, as a complex portrait emerges of the female bondswoman struggling to cope with the humiliations engendered by racism.

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Dear Austin: Letters from the Underground Railroad by Elvira Woodruff

In 1853, Levi writes letters to his older brother about his adventures in Pennsylvania. Then Darcy--the sister of Levi's African American friend Jupiter--disappears, so Levi and Jupiter head south to search the slave markets for her. Levi recounts his subsequent experiences with the Underground Railroad. Sequel to Dear Levi...(BR 10365). For grades 4-7. 1998.

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